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MANY BIG THINGS ARE BEING PLANNED FOR ST. CLOUD DURING THE YEAR 1917

St. Cloud Tribune

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ST. CLOUD TEMPERATURE

Taken the year round the climate at St. Cloud is more salubrious than can be found in any part of the state. It's never too hot; never too cold. Just the weather for good health and thriving truck farms.

PRIZES OFFERED FOR BEST LETTER ABOUT ST. CLOUD

St. Cloud Development Co. Desires to Learn What Impressions Have Been Made on Newcomers to the Wonder City

Senator Arthur E. Donegan, president of the St. Cloud Development Company, has decided on a novel plan for ascertaining the ideas or impressions of newcomers to St. Cloud, and has authorized the Tribune to announce the following prizes offered by his company for the best letter concerning St. Cloud, its climate and future possibilities, written by any newcomer or visitor in the city, that has been published in a paper from the former home town of the person writing the letter.

For the best letter describing the city and its possibilities a prize of $10 in gold will be given.

For the second best letter a prize of $5 in gold will be given by the company, and for the next four best a prize of $2.50 in gold will be given. This makes a total of six prizes in gold that will be awarded after these articles have been printed in the home paper, it being the idea of Mr. Donegan to furnish these letters to the Tribune for printing here. The contest is open to anyone in St. Cloud who will comply with the conditions. The letters will be placed in the hands of Mayor Bircher, together with the president of the board of trade and the president of the Ladies Improvement Club to judge the best out of those entering.

This plan should bring forth a number of contestants. The rules are simply that the citiy be described and some idea of the personal impressions of the veterans' colony be embodied therein, then be sent to a paper published in the former home of the contestant with a request that it be published and such printed copy presented to the land company, who in turn will obtain the decision of the committee mentioned, all of whom have agreed to act as judges in this contest.

The letters may be written at once and sent to your home paper for publication. As soon as a copy of the paper containing the letter is received it may be filed with the St. Cloud Development company for consideration in the contest for the prizes in gold.

This novel plan should bring forth a large number of letters, as there are already many such letters published in papers of the north, east and west. There are so many things that could be described by these newcomers that there will be many interesting things mentioned.

Senator Donegan said that every person sees things from different viewpoints, and this plan to obtain the opinions of the people is in keeping with his policy to ascertain the needs of the town and aid in any manner that he may, the future development of the town.

The contest is on. Parties may enter now. Get your letters off at once. We will endeavor to advise as to the progress of the contest each week.

FIRST NAT. BANK PAYS DIVIDEND MRS. SHAW ELECTED DIRECTOR

The First National Bank directors held their annual meeting Monday, at which time a semi-annual dividend of five per cent was placed to the credit of the stockholders and two per cent was passed to the surplus fund. Election of officers of the bank resulted in the following persons being selected to conduct the affairs of Osceola County's strongest financial institution:

Arthur E. Donegan, president; D. L. Rice and Wm. Hall vice presidents; A. W. Gustus, cashier; Directors, Arthur E. Donegan, D. L. Rice, Wm. Hall, Emil Grat, W. H. Rowe, E. G. Farris, Mrs. Emma A. Shaw.

This is probably the first time in the history of banking in South Florida that a woman has been selected as a director in a National bank. Referring to this selection President Arthur E. Donegan stated that "Whereas Mrs. Shaw is a large stockholder in the bank and there being a large number of lady depositors, he thought that their interest should be represented and that at his suggestion to the stockholders present at the meeting Mrs. Shaw was made a director of the bank.

"Women are becoming more and more interested in public affairs. Woman suffrage, together with National prohibition, is continually gaining ground, and in keeping with the advanced ideas of modern business our bank has recognized the ability of women to handle successfully financial transactions, and we expect to continue this broad-minded policy in the future."

Deposits in the First National Bank showed an increase of over $87,000 on December 31st, 1916, over the same date of 1915, and an additional increase of $43,000 was shown for the first two weeks in 1917. The bank shows today the greatest deposits of any bank in Osceola county, a fact that should cause the depositors as well as the stockholders to feel justly proud. This remarkable growth has been attained through conservative management and a broad-minded policy to aid any business enterprise of merit to the extent of sound banking principles.

ST. JOHNS RIVER CONFERENCE CLOSED

Just before this paper goes to press I learn that our correspondent appointed by the St. Johns River Conference has not handed in any copy and I hurry in a few words for this issue that our people may know what a successful conference we had and how the visitors appreciated our city and its hospitality.

Bishop W. A. Quayle, presiding at this conference, was an inspiration, and his addresses in the conference sessions, and his great sermon on Sunday, were a great treat to all. Bishop Quayle brought much of good to this community. All the sessions of the conference were well attended. The writer has attended twenty-one annual sessions of the St. Johns River Conference and never seen better attendance of the people of any community than here at St. Cloud.

Our visitors all spoke appreciatingly of the splendid entertainment given them by our people at their homes and the good meals furnished by the Ladies Aid at the hall. The committee on resolutions spoke feelingly of the courtesies shown by the Board of Trade in giving the preachers and their wives and friends an auto ride one day and a boat ride another time.

Rev. R. A. Carnine, whose time as district superintendent expired at this time, was appointed to our church at St. Petersburg and Rev. J. H. Martin, who was pastor at Snyder Memorial church in Jacksonville, was made district superintendent in his stead. There was no change in the pastorate here. There were about fifteen other changes in the appointments over the whole conference, and as is always the case, some of these appointments were "disappointments" but all went away Monday morning cheerful and trusting the Lord for a good year whatever the field of labor.

Thus passed into history the thirty-first session of the St. Johns River Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

G. H. Northrop, Pastor.

$50 Reward

FOR information leading to conviction of party or parties setting fire to any grass or weeds and burning of muck land on property belonging to St. Cloud Development Co.

ST. CLOUD DEVELOPMENT CO.
By James M. Johnston, Manager.

ST. CLOUD TO HAVE NEW BRICK STATION TO HANDLE BUSINESS

After months of hard work on the part of the railroad committee of the Board of Trade, it now appears that the Wonder City will soon enjoy the conveniences of a modern brick depot of sufficient dimensions to handle the ever increasing passenger traffic at this station.

Two hearings having been held by the State Railroad Commission at Tallahassee at which it was practically agreed by the representatives of the railroad that the business from this city had reached such proportions that a new depot was necessary, an open meeting of the city council was held Tuesday, to which the public was invited and at which Mr. J. C. Murchison, general superintendent of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway was present, to decide on the final location or changes that were necessary to give St. Cloud the railway facilities that are needed.

Mr. Murchison read the order that his company had received from the railroad commission after the two hearings at Tallahassee and stated that the Atlantic Coast Line stood ready to comply with the order if the council would agree to allow his company to move the present station east of its location and use the building for a freight station, erecting a handsome brick depot for a passenger station. After some discussion a motion prevailed that the railroad company should move the present building to the north side of the railroad, between Massachusetts avenue and New York avenue, the city to donate to the railroad the strip of property on that side of the tracks and leave the lands on the south side of the tracks, between New York avenue and Pennsylvania avenue, for the location of the passenger station. This change will necessitate the order of the railroad commission being amended, which it is believed will be done at once, and that the original order for beginning work on the depot will be amended in time to have the work of erecting a new depot started by March the first. The following report from the city clerk, recorded as the minutes of the open meeting, explains the final action in the matter:

Minutes of Mass Meeting Held at City Hall, Jan. 16, 1917

Meeting called to order by Wm. Bircher, who called on Mr. L. D. Frost to state the object of the meeting

Mr. Frost stated the object was to consider the proposition made by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co., before the Railroad Commission at Tallahassee, on January 3rd, 1917. The proposition being that they (the A. C. L. Ry.) would construct a new brick passenger station provided they be allowed to move the present depot to the north or east of the present location to be used as a freight depot.

Mr. J. C. Murchison, general superintendent of the A. C. L. Ry Co., being present, spoke briefly on the above matter.

Moved by Mr. Robert Anderson that the order of the Railroad Commission be accepted. Not seconded.

Moved by Mr. L. D. Frost, seconded by Mr. J. K. Conn that we accept the proposition made by the A. C. L. Railroad during the hearing of the Railroad Commission at Tallahassee, on January 3, 1917, to wit: That the present building be moved to the north side of the track, and that the city provide sufficient lands between Massachusetts avenue and Pennsylvania avenue for the location of said build-

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AWARD CONTRACT FOR ONE BRICK ROAD

The Board of County Commissioners met in special session last Monday to consider the matter of letting contracts for the St. Cloud-Melbourne Boulevard, that is to lead from Kissimmee through this city to the Brevard county line, and after much deliberation awarded that part of the work which has been voted to be paved with brick to the Georgia Engineering Company, of Augusta, Ga., their bid being considered the best offered for that work. There were four bidders for this part of the road, the Tucker Brick Company offering their new wood-tex brick for a sum lower than others, but their plant not being in operation and the fact that their brick has not been tried out on road work, this was rejected.

In awarding the contract to the Georgia Engineering Company, for using the Augusta Block on the six and one-tenth miles of road from Kissimmee to the St. Cloud canal, the commissioners have obtained what has proven to be one of the best vitrified paving bricks ever manufactured and at the same time have let the contract to a concern whose reputation for square dealing insures the taxpayers of this county a fine piece of road work.

When the matter of letting contracts for the St. Cloud district, which carries the road on to the East Coast, came up, the attorney for the board, Mr. J. S. Cadell, of Kissimmee, advised the board that they could not legally let a contract for this work, or part of the work, because it has been ascertained that the bond issue of $150,000 was insufficient to complete the whole road. It was planned to let the contract for as many miles of the proposed road in this district as the sum of money would permit, and later to obtain another bond issue to complete the road. This the attorney advised could not be done, and the commissioners did not open the bids for this part of the road. It was suggested to the committee of St. Cloud citizens that appeared before the board that a new petition calling for enough money to build the entire road be brought to the board at their meeting in February and an election would be called at once to determine whether enough money would be voted for the complete road. This matter, however, was taken back to the board of trade by the good roads committee that has been handling the matter all along.

After awarding the contract for the brick road the commissioners were advised that Mr. Joe Johnston, who had been selected as engineer for that work when the bonds were voted last summer, would be on hand to do the engineer work, no action was taken looking toward selecting some other person for the job.

The bids that were considered by the commissioners were as follows:

Good Roads Construction Company of Tampa, (Mickler and Edwards), brick laid flat, $1.35 per square yard.

Alabama Paving Co., same work, $1.49.

Georgia Engineering Co., same class of work, using Augusta Block, $1.44.

Tucker Brick Co., on wood tex brick, $1.30.

Although the bids of the Good Roads Construction Company were lower on the face of the bids, the brick submitted as a sample was not as satisfactory as the Augusta Block, and the commissioners had investigated the standing of all the brick concerns that were bidders, as well as the work of the bidders that had been inspected and after these investigations decided that the taxpayer's interests would be conserved by awarding the contract to the Georgia Engineering Company.

POST CARD DAY FOR WONDER CITY USING VIEWS OF TOWN

The Saint Cloud Tribune Desires to Have Twenty-Five Thousand Post Cards Go Out of Town in One Day

In order to reach a vast number of persons that are in some manner interested in the veterans' colony, St. Cloud, the Tribune will give a prize for the person sending out the largest number of picture postcards on February 15th, which has been decided on as St. Cloud's Post Card Day.

A prize of $5 will be given to the person sending out the greatest number of cards on that date; $2.50 to the person sending out the second largest number, and one year's subscription to the next five parties sending out the next largest number. The plan decided on is that all such cards shall be St. Cloud views, which may be purchased from the advertisers in the Tribune at a small cost, and contestants will be required to present to the Tribune the cards stamped and addressed not later than the evening of February 14th, so that they may leave the postoffice, after being counted in the Tribune office, on the day of the 15th. Contestants may enlist their friends in this effort to obtain the prizes, it being the idea that many persons will send from five to twenty-five cards, giving the names and addresses of their friends, to persons who will compete for the prizes.

There are about five thousand people in St. Cloud now. Each person in the city can easily furnish the names and addresses of five friends that may be interested in the city, and many of them will also pay for the cards and pay the postage, so that the contestants will only have to take a supply of cards and visit the places of business and homes to obtain such names.

Twenty-five thousand views of St. Cloud going out in one day will attract much attention. When the cards are addressed the Tribune will print on such cards, free of charge, the fact that this card is one of thousands being sent out in one day. It is believed this will be taken up by the public spirited people of St. Cloud and that promptly on the 14th of February we shall have accumulated for mailing, twenty-five thousand cards. Get busy now. Get your friends to help make up this number. Someone will win the prizes. Who will be the first to enter. Come to the Tribune and leave your name, so that we will know who is assisting in making the first postcard day a success.

Dr. N. A. Strait, of Washington, D. C., who owns considerable land in the St. Cloud section, arrived on Wednesday for a visit of several weeks. Dr. Strait has many friends here who will be pleased to learn that he has returned to look after business affairs in St. Cloud, and says he is delighted with the growth that the city has made. He is stopping at the new St. Cloud hotel.

COMRADES MAKING DISPLAY OF PRODUCTS SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR

The comrades who have always taken a pride in beautifying the city and developing the lands have responded so heartily to the invitation of the St. Cloud Development Company, to supply specimens of the fruit and vegetable products grown here, that the exhibit would do credit to a county fair. In fact, Mr. A. E. Thomas, secretary of the Osceola County Fair Association, suggested that the exhibit be taken to the fair grounds during the four days that the exhibits from all over the county are on display.

There has been added during the past week several plants that are growing in boxes, having been transplanted from the gardens for this purpose, the idea being to preserve the display of products. These growing plants not only show up better but permit the display being kept in fine condition for weeks.

Among the comrades who have added specimens to the display since last report were:

Mr. W. Q. Reynolds, of Co. B, 51st N. Y. Inf., residing on Minnesota avenue and Fifth street, presented a fine bouquet of roses from his garden.

Mr. Ferdinand Rath, of Co. A, 87th N. Y., residing on Ohio avenue and Fourth street, presented a fine head of cauliflower, a bunch of carrots and some fine telephone peas from his garden.

Mr. J. M. Carpenter, of Co. H, 7th Ky. Cav., residing on his grove of 1¼ acre tracts east of the city limits, presented three fine clusters of grapefruit; a fine cluster of pineapple oranges; some Parson Brown oranges, and some extra fine Valencia late oranges. These samples were from a grove set out by Mr. Carpenter during the winter of 1910 and 1911.

Mr. C. W. Bruns, of Narcoossee, presented a fine thornless, seedless lime tree; a fine Valencia late orange tree, and a Marsh seedless grapefruit tree from his fine nursery at Narcoossee.

Judge J. A. McCarthy, Minnesota avenue and Ninth street, presented a fine basket of strawberries, a fine basket of Irish potatoes and an extra nice pineapple from his garden.

Mr. J. O. Vreeland, of Co. C, 21st N. J., of Wisconsin avenue and 12th Street, presented some extra large Perico guavas preserved in formaldehyde, and also some fresh Perico guavas, from his garden.

Mr. J. W. Smith, Co. H, 92nd Ohio, Kentucky avenue and Seventh street, presented some guavas and some fine onions growing in box from his garden.

Mrs. S. C. Jaques, Massachusetts avenue and Fourteenth street, presented a fine bouquet of roses from her garden.

INVESTMENTS

Every individual who has surplus funds to invest is invited to investigate the advantageous features of the Certificates of Deposit issued by the First National Bank of St. Cloud.

They combine absolute safety of principal with fair interest returns, and quick convertability into cash.

We issue a coupon, interest-bearing Certificate of Deposit, on which interest is payable quarterly. We shall be glad to have you consult with us at any time.

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON JANUARY 8TH

St. Cloud, Fla., Jan. 8, 1917.

Council met in regular session with Wm. Bircher, mayor, presiding, and O. L. Buckmaster, L. W. Farris, D. H. Gill and F. B. Kenney present.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

President Bircher announced that any one present desiring to address the council might do so at this time.

Mr. L. D. Frost and Mr. A. E. Donegan spoke in reference to the meeting of the Railroad Commission and the matter of a new depot.

Reports of the collector and of the city clerk were read.

Moved by Farris and seconded by Buckmaster, that the reports be accepted and placed on file. All yea.

Moved by Farris, seconded by Buckmaster that all bids for lot cleaning be rejected. All yea.

Petition for sidewalk on the south side of Tenth street from Kentucky avenue to Dakota avenue presented and read. Moved by Farris, seconded by Buckmaster, that a sidewalk be ordered constructed on the south side of Tenth street. All yea.

Moved by Kenney, seconded by Gill, that the regulation ordering sidewalk constructed on the east side of Block 185, north, east, south and the west sides of Block 183, and on the north side of blocks 153 to 159, inclusive, be passed as read. All yea.

Moved by Gill, seconded by Buckmaster, that petition requesting that the city be divided into wards, be placed on file. All yea.

Moved by Kenney, seconded by Gill, that resolution ratifying a contract between the city and the Atlantic Coast Line Railway for a spur track to the city power house, be adopted as read. All yea.

Moved by Farris, seconded by Mr. Gill, that the clerk be instructed to write on all contracts for municipal improvements the following: "This contract subject to sale of bonds and work not to be commenced until funds are available." All yea.

Moved by Gill, seconded by Farris, that the following bills be allowed:

A C L Ry Co, spur track	$158.00
D H Gill, salary	60.00
F B Kenney, sal and exp	74.37
J I Cummings, salary	16.67
O. L. Buckmaster salary	16.67
L W Farris, salary	50.00
Wm Bircher, salary	8.37
Burna Levi, spec police	4.00
Wm Montadock, sal and allow	80.50
Crawford and Jarrell, do	25.06
B F Ralls, bonds for trustees	9.45
Kitty Tel Co	4.00
John Fleming, salary	45.00
G S Jones, salary	40.00
A. U. Cooley, san work	2.00
Walter Harris, san pails	37.50
J J Smith, street work	20.80
Chas H Sapp, street work	20.80
Ernest Vockrodt, do	21.60
C J Rothrock, street monuments	42.50
W J Mallett ,sidewalk corners	35.10
W J Mallett, do	35.10
Kinzie Partin, salary	45.00
Geo H Clark, shop worketaordlu	
Geo H Clark, lot cleaning	15.00
W W Haley, lot cleaning	25.25
American Can Co, pmt add mach	3.00

Roll call: Buckmaster yea, Farris yea, Gill yea, Kenney yea.

Moved by Farris, seconded by Gill to recess to 12 Noon, January 9, 1917.

Wm. Bircher,
Attest: Prest Council.
Fred B. Kenney, City Clerk.

SICILY A PARADISE

Sicily's history is as vivid and picturesque, as ferocious and creative and destructive, as mythical and intensely practical, as the stories of all the rest of the world put together, says a writer in the National Geographic Magazine. And in beauty of nature, of climate for man and for beast, the island is a paradise today, whether or not it was ever the workless, painless, passionless elysium where our first ancestors enjoyed all the good things of life without having to toil.

Nature itself, now in the guise of the misunderstood gods of old, now in convulsions or in quiet fertility, that science has made plain to us, weaves its mysterious shuttle through and through the highly colored fabric.

And men—such men! —tower above their fellows in the story like Titans: Pindar, Aeschylus, Theocritus, Thucydides, Archimedes, the two great Hierons, Cicero, Verres, Diodorous, Hamilcar and Hannibal, Roger the Count and Roger the King, Belisarius, the great Crusaders—Richard of the Lion Heart and Louis the Saint—Charles of Anjou, Frederick II, the "Wonder of the World," and Garibaldi. Even this partial list reads like a compendium of ancient and mediaeval romance and chivalry.

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Your front gate doesn't sag with a broken hinge and there isn't pale missing from your fence. Your house gets a new coat of paint every time it needs it.

The weeds are not choking the life out of the vegetables in the garden, and your front lawn isn't littered with trash.

The sidewalk in front of your premises is swept clean every morning.

You take a good daily newspaper and a few of the best magazines, that you and your family may keep posted on the "big things" of the outside world.

You Stand by Your Home Newspaper

You are a paid-up subscriber to the town and county newspaper, not only for the news they contain but because they are the general medium for the expression of community ideas, and the editors are Boosters after your own heart.

If you are in business you are a liberal advertiser, not merely for the sake of the business it brings you, but because you realize these newspaper men are constantly doing a lot of good things for the town for which they wouldn't let you compensate them in any other way.

You Patronize Your Home Merchants

You patronize your town merchants not only through convenience, but because they are your neighbors and fellow citizens, and when you spend your money with them you know it will circulate around and probably come back to you again.

You Encourage Worthy New Enterprises

If one of your citizens is starting a new enterprise you are going to give him all the encouragement you can, for you know what such encouragement, or lack of it, meant to you when you were getting your own start.

You Stand for Clean, Competent, Public Officials

If your town and county officials are good men and doing the square thing you are going to stand by them and help keep them in office. If they are not the right sort, you are going to get them out and see to it that they are kept out.

You Are on Good Terms With Your Banker

If you are a young man you are going to start a savings account in your local bank, because you will realize that in the business world thrift lies at the very foundation of a successful business career, and no one on earth can help you so much as your local banker if he has confidence in your ability and faith in your honesty.

You Will Bank at Home

If you are in business you will deposit your money in your town rather than in a distant city bank, because it will be used in financing and upbuilding local enterprises that will be right under your eye, and you will want to boost your local banks because you know the best thermometer of a community's commercial prosperity is shown in the monthly bank statements.

You Are a Friend of the School Man

If the head of your public school is conscientiously endeavoring to mould the character, as well as train the mind, of the boys and girls of your town, you are going to let him know you are his friend, will see to it that his compensation is sufficient to enable him to live decently, and that he gets it when due.

You Will Visit the School House

You are going to inspect the school house occasionally, even though you are not on the school board, and if you find it unsanitary you are going "to make Rome Howl," because the health of your children and of every other parent's children is being jeopardized. If the accommodations are not amply sufficient, some children are being prevented from getting an education and you are going to be their champion and fight for the needed improvements, even though you know it will take an extra dollar or two out of your pocket for taxes.

You Will Fight For the Kids

You are going to see to it that every boy in your town, rich or poor, is given a fair, square chance to become a decent man and a useful citizen. Eighty-five per cent of the prisoners in your county jail are illiterate. It is cheaper to give a boy a good education and start him on the road to decency and success than to allow him to remain an illiterate, become a criminal and execute him for his crime.

You Have a Sincere Respect for the Church

Even if you are not a member of a church, you are going to recognize it as one of the greatest institutions for promoting the religious and moral welfare of your town and you are going to attend service at least occasionally out of respect for the minister, and because you want him to know you endorse the things that he stands for in your community.

You Are Not a "Tight Wad"

You are going to make your own dollar jingle with the dollars of your neighbors in the collection plate, to help buy the coal supply for the church in winter, for painting the roof or window blinds in summer, and you are going to make the dominie's heart happy by telling him his sermons have helped you.

You Will Back Up the Chautauqua

You are going to be strong for the Chautauqua because you realize that unless your young people, as well as your older people, are provided the oportunity for this sort of wholesome, clean and elevating recreation and entertainment, people with lower ideals are going to bring in amusements of the sort that tend to demoralize and degrade.

You Believe in Pulling Together

You will be a leader in profoting community co-operation, which is simply "get ing together and pulling together," realizing that a dozen determined business men who will lay aside petty self-interest and work together for the general good will "put your town on the map" and keep it there.

You Radiate Enthusiasm and Inspire Progress

Your town may be very small, but if it has a few citizens of yoru caliber it is bound to grow, for your young men and young women will realize that in the process of community development, in the making of better schools, in the building of better roads, in introducing better methods of agriculture, in improving the facilities for merchandising, and in the launching of new manufacturing enterprises there will be abundant opportunity for them to achieve, within the very sight of the old "Home, Sweet Home," just as splendid and successful careers as any great city in this country could offer them.

You Have a Warm Heart and a Wise Head

Your fellow-men always extend to you the open hand, for you never thrust at them the closed fist. The corners of your mouth turn up instead of down. You radiate cordiality because your heart is warm. The young men come to you for counsel concerning their plans. The unfortunate come to you for a solution of their problems. The little children love you because you understand them.

You Are a Citizen Any Town Will Be Proud Of

Finally, my dear Booster, you will never grow old, for the Fountain of Eternal Youth is in the heart of every Booster. You will not have to die in order to enter heaven, for you have already built your home in the very center of it.

Presented with the compliments of the Radcliffe Chautauqua, Washington, D. C.

WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS

L. L. Mitchell Relief Corps met in regular session January 11th, at 2 p. m., with our new president, Anna Ansbaugh, in the chair. Two officers were absent at roll call, but vacancies were filled from the floor.

One women was elected to become a member of our order, and the names of two others were presented for membership. Forty-five members and fourteen visitors were present, four of the visitors being comrades.

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CHRISTMAS DINNER SERVED FROM PRODUCTS OF OWN GARDEN HERE

On Christmas Day Comrade and Mrs. J. W. Rankin, 624 Massachusetts avenue North, entertained at dinner Comrade and Mrs. A. E. Rankin, of Minneapolis, Minn; Comrade and Mrs. J. S. Bracken, and Mrs. Sarah Haney, of St. Cloud. The guests were served with a delicious home-grown and home-cooked meal. The menue was two five-pound roast chickens, potatoes, turnips, lettuce, sweet pickled citron, sour pickled gherkins and cucumbers, cottage cheese, biscuit bread, butter, quince jelly, roselle pie, pumpkin pie, chocolate fudge, creab, tea and coffee. Comrade Rankin keeps a cow and he supplies the table with fresh milk, cream and butter, buttermilk and also cheese, while his chicken yard keeps him well supplied with eggs and chickens. His fine garden also furnishes all the vegetables used by the family. He does all his own work, though he will be seventy-five years young in February. This shows what the genial climate of Florida will do.

On January 12th Comrade and Mrs. Rankin again entertained Comrade and Mrs. A. E. Rankin and Mrs. J. S. Bracken, the occasion being the 72nd anniversary of the birth of Comrade A. E. Rankin. Last year Comrade Rankin spent his birthday in Minneapolis, Minn. The day was cold and stormy and they were compelled to stay at home and could not accept any invitation to dine with friends. This year the day was spent with his brother, amid sunshine and flowers, and he partook of a fine home-grown dinner, as follows: chicken and dumplings, mashed turnips, baked sweet potatoes, string beans, lettuce, onions, pimientos, pickled gherkins and cucumbers, cottage cheese, biscuits, butter, guava jelly, cup custard, cake, cream, cooffee and buttermilk. Comrade Rankin's garden has been under cultivation only a little over a year and the soil is improving all the time. He has a choice lot of fruit trees and grape vines growing. This shows the contrast between the cold northern winter and that of St. Cloud(where one can grow most of one's living and live in contentment and peace.

FINED FOR LIGHTING UP HIS CHURCH

For not obscuring the lights of the parish church at a recent service the rector of Winfrith (Dorset) was instantly summoned to court, says the London Chronicle. He told the court that his parishioners complained bitterly that they could not see the way to church owing to the present lighting regulations. People were fond of excuses, he added, and were only too happy to have this one. Notwithstanding this plea the bench imposed a fine of ten shillings.

Hubby—Say what you will, my dear, you'll find worse than me in the world.

Wife—O—h, Charlie, how can you be so bitter?—Puck.

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MARKETING POTATOES

Greater Care Necessary In Digging and Handling, Say Specialists—Standardization Needed.

In order that the present large losses of potatoes may be eliminated and that conditions in the potato-growing industry may be bettered in general, growers should exercise more care in digging and handling the tubers, should work toward the establishment and strict observance of grades and should carefully study marketing needs and conditions. This is the advice of specialists of the Office of Markets and Rural Organization of the department in a recent publication, Farmers' Bulletin 753, Commercial Handling, Grading and Marketing of Potatoes.

Early and Late Potatoes

There are two definite crops of potatoes in this country each year. The southern early, or "new" potato, which are perishable, and the northern late potatoes, which are only semi-perishable. The treatment of these crops must differ considerably. In the South digging begins in Florida, Texas and Southern Louisiana in May and is done mostly by forks and plows. In some of the hotter sections it has been found advisable to plow up the potatoes in the late evening and pick them early the following morning. Picking into rectangular, open-slatted crates, the slats having rounded edges, has been found most satisfactory. The potatoes should not be handled loose in wagons, since such treatment may bruise them seriously. For shipment the Southern potatoes are packed in hampers and double-headed barrels in Florida, and in barrels with burlap covers in other states along the Atlantic Coast. In Texas sacks are used.

Grading for the southern potato crop is executed largely through cash buyers at shipping points. Shipments are also made through distributers and on consignment to agencies in distant markets. In some sections, it was found, co-operative associations of growers handle the marketing, achieving successful results. One of the largest of such associations operates along the eastern shore of Virginia. This association sold over six million dollars worth of potatoes in 1914. This organization, like others of its kind, grades strictly and makes use of definite brands for the best grades of potatoes. It insists that the potatoes bearing its brand shall be bright, free from second growth, disease, and other defects. Scabby, worm-eaten or sun-burnt potatoes are barred. Associations operating on the same general plan exist in most of the other southern states.

Northern Potato Crop

Northern, or late potatoes, are dug in August and September. Forks are used to a certain extent for digging this crop, but most of the acreage is dug by plows and digging machines. For the successful use of the latter, soil conditions must be good. Under favorable conditions the use of such machines has been found profitable. There is much loss from bruising potatoes in all types of digging. Deep plowing with plows and machines should eliminate most of such losses.

Picking in the North is mostly by hand, but some combination digging and picking machines are in use. If the potatoes are to be graded as picked, growers should carefully instruct pickers in the work, since the inclusion of a few diseased, cut, or defective potatoes is sufficient to discount an entire shipment, the selling value being largely determined by the poorest tubers in the lot rather than the best. Even the less perishable northern crop may be injured by hauling from the field loose in wagons. This practice usually involves subsequent handling, often with shovels and scoops, which further bruises the potatoes. A good practice, say specialists of the department, is to pick the potatoes into open-slatted crates and haul the filled receptacles to storage or grading houses or to cars.

Grading

Many sizing machines are used in the North to grade potatoes and, since they give more accurate results than hand grading, their use should be extended. In addition to sorting, these machines are of service in removing dirt. This is an important fact, since there are many complaints by buyers of the presence of dirt among potatoes, and greater allowances are being demanded in price adjustments on this account. The mechanical sizer simply sorts as to size and the stock must be further graded by hand to eliminate potatoes affected by sun-burn, dry-rot, scabs, frost, or other defects.

All grading should be done preferably on the farm. If the grower ships ungraded stock to market, it must be graded there, where labor is more costly. In addition to paying, in lower prices received, for this labor, he also pays freight on the rejected potatoes and loses the culls, which he might have utilized on the farm. Grading is fascilitated where the grower has sufficient storage space for a large part of his crop. In this way potatoes which do not show the effects of frost or other damage when first dug may be detected later and sorted out before the crop is marketed. If the potatoes are shipped without sorting, the damage usually brings about rotting of the injured potatoes before the market is reached and reduces prices on the whole shipment.

Standardization

In the bulletin already mentioned the specialists of the department do not make specific recommendations for the adoption of standard grades, but, for the assistance of those interested in bringing about standardization, they suggest that two regular grades and perhaps a special grade for extra fancy potatoes should meet market needs. It is suggested that specifications for the No. 1 grade should be drawn to make it as good and attractive in appearance as is reasonable and practicable. These specifications should practically eliminate potatoes damaged by frost, sunburn, blight, common scab, dry rot, decay, second growth, cuts, bruises, dirt, and also undersized or coarse stock. The minimum and maximum sizes for both No. 1 and No. 2 grades are still a subject for careful investigation, discussion, and demonstration. However, a minimum of about two inches is maintained for grade No. 1 in a number of early or "new" potato sections, and the commonly discussed minimum for this grade is from 1 7-8 to 2 inches. The minimum diameter for a long variety should probably be a little smaller than for a round one. Since it is practically impossible in grading any perishable products commercially to secure a perfect grade, reasonable tolerances should be allowed. The No. 2 grade should include the better of the remaining potatoes.

The studies of the market specialists of the department indicate that there is an unnecessary diversity in the containers for potatoes in use. These now range from the 1-bushel hampers for the early Florida crop to double-headed barrels. The two-bushel, or 120-pound, burlap bag is suggested as perhaps the most satisfactory container for general use. The lack of proper grading and packing, the specialists say, causes a large part of the marketing difficulties now experienced in the potato trade.

Marketing

Marketing conditions in the North differ widely from those in the South since about three-fourths of the crop is stored. Local buyers, warehouse men, and distributers are the chief factors in marketing the northern crop. The bulletin already mentioned lists eight methods of selling that growers ma yadopt. These are: In the field, for cash by the load at the car, to cash traveling buyers in car lots, to local warehouse men, through distributers, by wire, on consignment to a broker or merchant, or through co-operating marketing organizations. The bulletin also discusses the outlets for distributers and methods of railway building.

MISTLETOE DECLARED TO BE A PEST

Government scientists have branded the mistletoe as a destructive pest, according to the Popular Science Monthly. It fastens itself upon the trees, deforming them and sapping their vitality. Birds feed upon the mistletoe berries and scatter the seeds from tree to tree.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Kissimmee, Dec. 22, 1916.

The School Board met as per adjournment of December 5th, there being present W. C. Bass, Chairman; Walter Bronson, and C. E. Yowell, Superintendent.

Warrants were authorized to be issued as follows:

State Bank, sal tchrs sch 1	$1,710.00
Miss Mae Pettis, sal	45.00
Miss Iva Nighswonger, sal	50.00
Mrs. Lottie Huff, sal	50.00
J. E. Williams, sal	40.00
Miss Sarah Miller, sal	40.00
Miss Lottie Doolittle, sal	40.00
Miss Edna Schweikert, sal	50.00
Miss Effie Bass, sal	45.00
Mrs. C. H. Blocker, sal	40.00
P J Franklin, sal	65.00
Mrs. P. J. Fraknlin, sal	40.00
Miss Elsie Batton, sal	40.00
R. R. Riley, sal	135.00
Mrs. Laura Lee, sal	80.00
P. A. Northrop, sal	75.00
Miss Mertie Fletcher, sal	65.00
Miss Katherine Shadoan, sal	65.00
Miss Star Paisley, sal	65.00
Miss Emma Tyson, sal	65.00
Miss Lillian Ide, sal	65.00
Miss Ruby Bass, sal	65.00
Miss Fleda Doolittle, sal	65.00
Mrs. Rhoda Lucas, sal	40.00
Miss Mary Pherigo, sal	40.00
W. N. Zanders, sal	55.00
Pearl Johnson, sal	35.00
S. B. Timmons, sal	35.00
M. A. Johnson, sal	35.00
L. L. Jordan, sal	45.00
Hattie King, sal	35.00
Mrs. J. H. Steffee sal	40.00
Miss Ola Campbell, sal	40.00
Miss Orpha Rose, sal	45.00
Melissee Roberson, sal	35.00
W. S. Johnson, sal	35.00
Miss Hazel Norton, sal	40.00
Harle Williams, sal	65.00
Miss Lessie Hay, sal	40.00
Miss Mattie Tyson, sal	35.00
Mrs Eunice Richardson, sal	45.00
Cora Gaulding, sal	35.00
T. J. Little, sal	40.00
Daisy D. Jones, sal	30.00
G. B. Woodall, sal, jan	45.00
Mrs J R Figart, sal	27.00
Mrs. C. H. Blocker, sal	15.00
Miss Mattie Tyson, sal	5.00
Daisy D. Jones, sal	5.00
J. E. Williams, sal	5.00
Mrs. O. R. Bebee, trans pupils	22.50
P. J. Franklin, sal	25.00
Mrs. P. J. Franklin, sal	10.00
Mrs. Rhoda Lucas, sal	5.00
Harle Williams, sal	25.00
Miss Lessie Haye, sal	10.00
Miss Mary Pherigo, sal	5.00

A written petition was filed with the Board of Public Instruction asking that an election be held in School Board District No. 1 to determine whether compulsiry school attendance shall prevail in said district. The board, after a careful examination of said petition, found that it was signed by the required number of registered white voters as required by Chapter 6831, Laws of Florida, 1915, ordered an election to be held at Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, on the 27th day of January, A. D. 1917. The Board further ordered that notice of said election be advertised for four consecutive weeks, beginning December 29th, 1916. The following were appointed to act at said election: H. N. Bratton, J. M. Gardner and J. W. Lilly, inspectors; and A. E. Thomas, clerk.

Mr. A. E. Thomas appeared before the board in the interest of the Osceola County Fair and stated that Friday, February 16th, 1917, had been designated as School Day. The Board agreed to grant a school holiday for all the schools in the county and to pay an admission fee of ten cents each for all pupils attending.

Young Tindall was appointed supervisor of School No. 31, at Deer Park, in place of A. R. Hemmingway, resigned.

There being no further business, the board adjourned to meet January 2, 1917.

Attest: Walter Bass, Chairman.
C. E. Yowell, Superintendent.

Kissimmee, Jan. 2, 1917.

The school board met in regular session, there being present W. C. Bass, Chairman; J. S. Stratton, and Walter Bronson; also C. E. Yowell, Superintendent.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

S. L. Lupfer, county treasurer, reported as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Public Instruction, In and For Osceola County, Florida:

I herewith tender my report as treasurer of Osceola county for the month of December, A. D. 1916:

General School Fund

To bal from last report	$14,425.92	
To amount received from T. M. Murphy, hunt lice	315.75	
To amount received from Kissimmee City	507.56	
To amount received from Jack Simmons, sale of lot	50.00	
To amount received from Comptroller, July redemp	10.52	
To amount received from C. E. Yowell, sale blkbrd	5.00	
To amount received from T. M. Murphy, hunt lic	136.50	
To amount received from Tax Collector, polls	10.00	
To amount received from Tax Collector, taxes	707.80	
	$16,1669.05	
By paid warrants as per list	7,675.55	
Balance	$8,4933.50	

Sub-School District No. 1

To bal from last report	$1,025.36	
To amount received from Comptroller, July redemp	1.10	
To amount received from Tax Collector, taxes	201.10	
	$1,227.56	
By paid warrants as per list	172.88	
By balance	$1,054.68	

Sub-School District No. 3

To bal from last report	$1,838.84	
To amount received from Tax Collector, taxes	6.54	
By paid warrants as per list	150.36	
By balance	$1,695.02	

Sub-School District No. 2

To amount received from Tax Collector, taxes	$115.57	
	$130.54	
By paid warrants as per list	45.00	
By balance	$85.54	

Sub-School District No. 4

To bal from last report	$3,656.46	
To amount received from Comptroller, July redemp	.24	
To amount received from Tax collector, taxes	11.04	
	$3,667.74	
By paid warrants as per list	90.00	
Balance	$3,577.74	

Sub-School District No. 5

To bal from last report	$183.11	
To amount received from Tax Collector, taxes	12.96	
	$196.07	
By paid warrants as per list	5.00	
By balance	$191.07	

Sub-School District No. 6

To bal from last report	$33.64	
To amount received from Tax Collector, taxes	.55	
	$34.19	
By paid warrants as per list	5.00	
By balance	$29.19	

Bills were approved and warrants issued as follows:

C E Yowell, sal supt	$125.00
W C Bass, M B P I	12.00
Walter Bronson, M B P I	15.00
J S Stratton, M B P I	13.60
Presbyterian Church, rent	8.34
Bratton and Guice, rent	3.00
Miss Albina Smith, can club	50.00
J S Cadell, degal services	12.00
Alex Haynes, rent	6.00
Geo W Greene, wood	4.00
W H King, wood	3.50
H and W B Drew Co, sup	64.51
Walter Lanier, M B P I	5.40
John H Baisden, M B P I	13.00
C E Yowell, incidentals	50.00
Central Scientific Co, sup	20.44
R D Brown, ervicess	50.00
J F Nighswonger, wood	16.20
R L Floyd, sup	6.32
Waters Carson Groc Co, sup	.65
A L Davidson, bal on sidewlk	134.00
Wenner-Sakyer Co, sup	7.40
C W Toland, tuning pianos	9.00
A B Vance, register	26.20
G A R Memorial Hall, rent	2.50
Water and Light	30.87
S L Lupfer, commission, treas	90.92
Jas Zanders, jan	6.00
W B Makinson, sup	1.70
Valley Gazette, supplies	2.50
A R Jackson, labor	29.84
C E Yowell, allowance	6.00
Miss Margaret Stanford, do	6.00
Charlie Regero, do	6.00
Miss Iva Nighswonger, do	6.00
Miss Lillian Ide, do	6.00
Miss Mattie Tyson, do	6.00
R R Riley, do	6.00
Miss Emma Tyson, do	6.00
Miss M C Bryan, do	6.00
P A Northrop, do	6.00
Harle Williams, do	6.00
Mrs Conrad Bryan, do	6.00
Miss Mae Pettis, do	6.00
Miss Lessie Haye, do	6.00
Miss Star Paisley, do	6.00
Miss Cecelia Overstreet, do	6.00
Miss Louise Thomason, do	6.00
R M Evans, do	6.00
Mrs Eunice Richardson, do	6.00
Miss Lillian Prentiss, do	6.00
Miss Orpha Rose, do	6.00
L L Jordan, do	6.00
Hattie King, do	6.00
Pearl Johnson, do	6.00
W S Johnson, do	6.00
M A Johnson, do	6.00
Daisy Jones, do	6.00
W N Zanders, do	6.00
S B Timmons, do	6.00

Sub-School District No. 1

B A Sullivan, services	5.00
Edwards and Durham, sup	.70
J H Armstrong, rep pump	2.00
Thornton Marble, services	7.00
J F Daniels, rep	25.43
L E Knott App Co, sup	32.51
S L Lupfer, com treasurer	11.52

Sub-School District No. 2

S L Lupfer, com treasurer	1.26

Sub-School District No. 3

S L Lupfer, com treasurer	8.57

Sub-School District No. 4

S L Lupfer, com treasurer	9.81
J S Underhill, rep school	22.70
W H Walker, trip Okeechobee	5.00
Scharfschwerdt Bros. stove	3.50

Sub-School District No. 5 5

S L Lupfer, com treasurer	.25
H M Partin, services	6.00

Sub-School District No. 6

S L Lupfer, com treasurer	1.19
May Lbr Co, lumber	2.07

The Board received an application from J. R. Figart, endorced by two of the trustees, to be appointed compulsory school attendance officer in Special Tax School District No. 1. There being no other applications before the Board, the appointment was made, and Mr. Figart, in addition to being an attendance officer, was assigned to such sanitary work as the School Board might direct. The Board fixed the compensation as follows:

SchoolN o. 2, Alligator lake, four dollars per month.

School No. 6, Long, four dollars per month.

School No. 8, Peg Horn, four dollars per month.

School No. 9, Finney Point, four dollars per month.

School No. 10, Bassville, four dollars per month.

School No. 25, Ashton, colored, four dollars per month.

School No. 16, St. Cloud, sixteen dollars per month.

The above amounts to be paid during the sessions of the schools.

The Board received an offer from Jack Simmons to purchase the house and lot known as the Live Oak School for $100. The Board finding that the patrons had moved from the district, and the house had not been used in several years and was falling into decay,d ecided to accept the offer, the deed to be made when the purchase price was paid in.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

Kissimmee, January 2, 1917

The Board met at 1:30 and proceeded to organize.

The members of the Board of Public Instruction of Osceola County, elected on the 7th day of November, A. D. 1916, were' Mr. W. C. Bass, of Kissimmee, residing in and for School Board District No. 1; Mr. W. R. Lanier, of Kissimmee, R. F. D. No. 1, residing in and for School Board District No. 2; Mr. John H. Baisden, of Keenansville, residing in and for School Board District No. 3. Of these, Messrs. W. C. Bass, W. R. Lanier and John H. Baisden, having met on the above date in the office of the county superintendent of public instruction, and each for himself having presented his commission, as a member of said board of public instruction for the term of two years from the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January, A. D. 1917, and until his successor is elected and qualified, proceeded to complete the organization of said board, in compliance with Section 241, Revised Statutes of Florida, as follows:

On motion of Mr. Baisden, seconded by Mr. Lanier, Mr. W. C. Bass was elected to be chairman of said board of public instruction for the county of Osceola, State of Florida.

Mr. C. E. Yowell, holding commission as county superintendent of public instruction for the ensuing four years, appeared in person also at the meeting and assumed his duties as secretary of said board, as provided by law. The board thus organized, then fixed on the first Monday of each month as the day for holding its regular meetings.

A committee from the Baptist church appeared before the board and stated that they contemplated building a new church, and asked that they be allowed to use the high school building for church and Sunday school purposes. After due consideration the board granted the use of the auditorium, providing that all expenses for lights and janitor service be paid by the church.

A committee composed of J. M. Willson, Jr., Rev. W. B. Witherspoon, Rev. A. M. Chisholm, G. B. Woodall, H. R. May, G. W. Overstreet, T M. Murphy and Milton Pledger appeared before the board and requested that the auditorium of the high school be open for lectures of educational and civic nature, provided that no admission fee be charged for same. After discussing the matter with the committee the board agreed to allow the auditorium opened for such purposes as stated, provided that all expenses incurred should be borne by the parties using it, and that said parties be responsible for any damages to the building. The board reserves the right to accept or reject any applications for the use of the auditorium.

There being no further business, the board adjourned until the next regular meeting, February 5th, 1917.

W. C. Bass, Chairman.
Attest:
C. E. Yowell, Supt.

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A small boy had a bad cold and snuffed abominably, to the great annoyance of other passengers in the car in which he was riding. Finally, one of the suffering men turned on the offending youngster and said: "Have you a handkerchief?"

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There are thousands of ways in which thrift may be put into practice. It may be exemplified in acts of earning, planning, spending and conserving, as well as saving. A strong evidence of thrift is always found in a growing bank account. Many individuals on February 3rd will start the account that they have been putting off from day to day or year to year. Many others will add some amount, large if possible, small if necessary, to their present reserve, and every individual will be bettered as the result of concentration on ways and means to greater individual thrift.

ST. CLOUD TO HAVE NEW BRICK STATION TO HANDLE BUSINSS

(Continued from Page 1)

ing and the railroad company to immediately erect a brick passenger station on the present site. Unanimously carried.

Moved by F. B. Kenney and seconded by Mrs. D. H. Gill, that the chairman appoint a committee of three to draw a resolution incorporating the above motion. Unanimously carried.

Chairman appointed Mr. S. Brammar, Mr. L. D. Frost and Mr. F. B. Kenney.

Committee reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That if the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company will remove the pesent wooden passenger and freight depot to the north side of the railway track to be used for a freight depot, and will repair and improve the appearance of said building, and will immediately construct a brick passenger station on the present site of the wooden building, same to conform to the dimensions given by Order No. 541, of January 5th, 1917, by the Railroad Commission, the city will provide the land necessary for the occupation of the freight warehouse between Massachusetts avenue and Pennsylvania avenue, and between the railroad and Ninth street,

Resolved, further, that we request the Railroad Commission to approve of this action.

Moved by Mr. Gill and seconded by Mr. Frost that the above resolution be adopted as read. Carried.

Wm. Bircher,
Chairman Mass Meeting.

Attest:
F. B. Kenney, Sec.

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FOR SALE—5-acre tract, all in cultivation, one mile of Narcoossee postoffice; 160 citrus trees of different kinds in fine shape, beginning to bear; 24 peach trees and other fruit trees; a good gardening spot; a new 6-room bungalow house, all plastered; two fire places, horse, wagon, buggy and all farm implements, for twenty-five hundred. A bargain. Come and see. Mrs. E. A. Johnson, Narcoossee, Fla. 221-tf

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LOCAL PERSONAL SOCIAL

Non-annoying county or city taxes at A. E. Drought's office. 20-tf

Capt. S. J. Scriber is quite ill at this writing.

Mr. A. F. Baker was among the arrivals in St. Cloud this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tunnicliffe left this week to spend a few days at Tampa.

Mrs. George Maine, of Maryland avenue, is visiting friends in New Smyrna.

Mr. John Davis, in charge of the poor farm, was a St. Cloud visitor on Tuesday.

Mrs. Drawdy, of Keenansville, is the guest this week of her son, W. A. Drawdy.

Mr. Seymeyer has leased Decker's boat to take excursions across the lake this winter.

The Masons are going to move from their present quarters to the upper G. A. R. Hall.

Dr. Silas Cooke, pastor of the Presbyterian church, has been on the sick list for the past few days.

Mrs. A. A. Savage has returned to Cincinnati on account of the illness of her daughter.

Alfred Dow and wife, of Kissimmee, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Kibbee.

Dr. L. C. Riddle, Dentist, in Conn Building. Phones: Office 21; residence 2. Gas administered. 7tf

Miss Edith Jenness attended the usual Friday night dance in Kissimmee, and was the guest of Mrs. C. L. Bandy.

Mrs. Lou Brow, of Oregon avenue, son Floyd, and daughter, Mrs. Jules Dasin, were business visitors to Tampa on Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Carrie Come, of Chicago, arrived in St. Cloud Friday evening to spend several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Raymond.

Mrs. Theo. Deschner, Mrs. Lida Mosher, Mrs. E. C. Westcott, Mr. C. D. Brenner and Mr. Lee, of St. Cloud, motored to Orlando Monday.

For fish and oysters, fresh fruits and vegetables go to the Smith Market, middle door north side Smith building, corner Pennsylvania Ave. and 10th St., west of P. O. 19-tf

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Thompson have as their guest their daughter, Mrs. E. Merriman, of Bangor, Mich., who is very much delighted with this new city and its climate.

Mrs. E. M. Bietler, of Imboden, Ark., arrived in St. Cloud Wednesday to spend the winter. Mr. Beitler was here three years ago, and will join his wife in two weeks.

Mr. H. M. Tracy, of Richland, Ia., arrived in St. Cloud Thursday to spend the winter, and is located on Sixth street and Michigan avenue. His family will be down in two weeks.

The young people of St. Cloud are organizing a dramatic company to render the Chimes of Normandy, and will meet for rehearsal at the home of Mrs. Morgan, on Massachusetts avenue.

S. W. Porter, real estate, insurance.

Mr. James Crane and mother, of New York, who have been spending some time here, left this week for Tampa and the East Coast, and expect to return here about March with a party of friends.

The boat Maud will leave Decker's dock at 9 o'clock every Wednesday and 2 o'clock Sunday p. m. 19-tf

W. W. Baker and H. M. Wells, who have been spending some time here guests at the Bon Air House, left last Wednesday to spend some time in Tampa, returning to their northern homes later.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Epworth League, which was postponed on account of the conference, will be held Friday evening, January 19th, at the M. E. Church. All members are urged to attend.—C. M. Arrowsmith, President.

When in Kissimmee eat at Mack's Cafe. Home cooking, good service. The home of fried oysters and real coffee. 15-tf

On Lord's Day, December 31, 1916, the Bible school of the First Christian church of St. Cloud held their annual election of officers, the result being as follows. Bible school superintendent, Mr. Barres; Assistant, G. C. Ricketts; Secretary, Arenal Nourse and Assistant Secretary, Constance Harris; Treasurer, Mrs. S. E. Houston; Organist, Edith Harrod; Assistant, Mrs. Annie Prather; Librarian, Landis Jenkins; Assistant, Reuben Harris.

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With the removal to Sixteenth street of the office of the Seminole Land and Investment Company there passes away one of the old landmarks of our city. This building was the third one erected in St. Cloud and has already been moved three times. It was first the office of the agricultural expert; Mr. S. V. Godden. The first veteran to be married in St. Cloud was married in this office early in 1910. The information bureau, for which purpose the building has recently been used is now in the office of the St. Cloud Development Co., in the Makinson building.

How rapidly time slips away. On the evening of January 6th, Mrs. Kenney, corner Massachusetts avenue and Fifteenth street, was very much surprised when the door opened and her children came in to remind her that it was her birthday. One carried a beautiful birthday cake, home-baked, bearing that sweetest of all words, "Mother," with the figures 1850 and 1916, on the border. Another had evidently thought best to visit the hen roost before conference, for here was the chicken, piping hot. Soon all were seated at the festal board and enjoying the birthday feast. Those present were: Mrs. Wikoff and Mrs. Selsemeyer, of Ohio, who came to spend the holidays; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Seaman, of Atlantic City, who are spending the winter here, and Fred B. Kenney and family, of this city.

A LARGE APARTMENT WITH ALL IMPROVEMENTS

There has come to my notice the unfortunate fact that tourists coming in on the evening train are taking the same train back to Kissimmee on account of the lack of accommodations with all improvements.

I also have had several tourists call at my office and advise that they would stay all winter if they could get apartments with these improvements.

Such a building would be a good paying investment on the corner of Ninth street and Pennsylvania avenue.

The lot has 65 feet front, by 150 feet deep; will be right close to our new brick depot. We will soon have the water and sewerage and these improvements can all be installed. This is a splendid chance to get the location. Stop in and talk it over with me.

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Real Estate and Insurance. 21-1t Pennsylvania Avenue

W. I. Barber, of Kissimmee, was a St. Cloud caller on Monday.

Mrs. Julian French and son, Walter, are guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Kloos. They expect to make St. Cloud their future home.

Zion's Religio-Literary Society will meet at the home of H. W. Rummel Saturday evening. Subject, Gospel Principles.

Mrs. Lillian Cargile, nee Reifschneider, of Amarilla, Texas, is spending the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Reifschneider, and other relatives.

Hon. Sidney J. Catts, Florida's new governor, is scheduled to speak at Kissimmee during the fair, announcement having been made that he will arrive on the 15th of February.

Mrs. J. J. Bulleit reports a delightfudl picnic party across the lake on Wednesday of last week, but names of those who made up the "baker's dozen," referred to, were not furnished. It is said that a delightful dinner was served at the picnic grounds across the lake, and that many interesting kodak pictures were made by the party.

A party of visitors spending the winter here journeyed to Runnymede for luncheon Tuesday and report a delightful trip and splendid dinner. In the party were Comrade and Mrs. J. W. Reamer, of Franklin, Pa.; Dr. and Mrs. Boat, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Mereness, of Sharon Springs, N. Y.; Mrs. Bail of New York, and Mr. Parmer, of Ogdensburg, N. Y.

A unique theatre and supper party was given by Mesdames McGuire, Nacker, Thompson and Hickey to Messrs. Baker, Wells, Wiseman and Lamson on Wednesday evening of January 10th, at the Palm Theatre. A delightful supper was served at the home of the ladies on Eighth street, between Florida and Ohio avenues, and odd favors were given the gentlemen to remember them by. The show and supper were greatly enjoyed by the guests, especially the incident of the ladies escorting the gentlemen home.

DOUBLE BIRTHDAY PARTY

It was a jolly party that met at the home of Comrade Ely, on Indiana avenue, January 11th, to help him and his good wife celebrate their joint birthday. The party consisted, beside the host and hostess, of the Misses Lou and Lora Griffett, Comrades Hoar, Blair, Somerville and their wives, together with Comrade Church. All of them were members of the 94th Regiment, N. Y. Vol. Inf., Comrades Hoar and Blair serving with Comrade Ely in Company A. The jokes passed back and forth about their early army life, for their talks and thoughts were of a reunion. At four o'clock the host and hostess led the way to the dining room, where there was spread a feast of good things to eat. Two birthday cakes and beautiful roses adorned the table, for this genial couple have their birthdays in the same month. Comrade Ely was 81. It does not come to many men to be as keen and hale as he is at that age. In early life he developed a taste for oysters, and strange to say, he has never recovered. This is the eighth anniversary on which he has feasted his guests, and he and his friends hope there will be at least nine more of them.

LADIES' IMPROVEMENT CLUB

The Ladies Improvement Club held their regular meeting at their rooms, Florida avenue and Tenth street. Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved. Mrs. Lou Hendrix was in the chair. A rising vote of thanks was given the secretary, Mrs. Bins, the librarian, for her good work during the year. Mrs. E. Thompson, Mrs. Cadman, through M. Drought, presented the library with a number of fine books. Several new members were taken into the club. Mrs. Dr. Cushman was elected president for the year 1917. Mrs. Lou Hendrix first vice president. Meeting adjourned until February 7th. All are invited.

Mrs. E. Vreeland, P. C.

Veterans' Association

The Veterans' Association assembled at 2 p. m. in Memorial Hall, and as usual the house was packed. President Kenney was in the chair. Opened by singing America. Rev ——— offered up thanks to Almighty and invoked continued blessings on veterans, their wives and the audience. A song by choir, led by Prof. Lynch. President Kenney, in a few appropriate remarks introduced the well known Methodist bishop, Rev. Quayle and he was heartily welcomed. I can only quote one sentence of his address: "You veterans would not take a million dollars for your army experience, but you would not go through it again for four million dollars.

Judging from the applause and the cheering the audience, and especially the veterans were more than pleased and proud of his address. As a farewell to the bishop the audience sang God Be With You Till We Meet Again.

Visitors and newcomers were invited to the rostrum to be introduced, the following responding: Comrade J. W. Chaffee, 141st Pa., who was twice wounded but able to be present at Lee's surrender.

Rev. Brown, of the 113h and 167th Ohio, was introduced as Rev. Ram's Horn. He is a well known editor and Methodist minister, and gave a very interesting five minute talk. He spoke of meeting in St. Cloud his old war time mess mate, Comrade Ricketts, of this city.

J. W. Reamer, Co. K, 211th Pt., gave his name to the secretary.

Comrade Wheaton, Co. D, 1st Vt., inquired if Clarence Hatch, of the same company, was in St. Cloud.

Collection taken amounted to $6.65.

A handsome silk cushion that was presented to the G. A. R. by a lady, was sold at auction two weeks ago. The bidder having failed to call for it it was again put up and sold for four dollars. The meeting was then turned over to the entertainment committee, their president, Mrs. Kenney, taking charge.

Recitation by little Miss Brown.

Recitation by Miss Fogart.

Recitation by Miss Golda Grove.

Encore by Miss Golda Grove.

Recitation by Miss Priscilla Peckham.

Encore by Miss Priscilla Peckham.

Reading by Mrs. Marskie entitled The Story of Old Glory.

Instrumental music and comic song by two young men, with two selections, being encored.

Last on the program was a laughable farce by Mr. Miller as Dr. Wise; Mr. McKay as a colored man, and Mr. Cassee with a tooth ache, which made the old boys and their girls shake all over with laughter. In fact every part of the program was well rendered and received with applause. Mrs. Kenney, the president, and every one deserves great credit and have the thanks of the veterans, their wives and all others for their efforts. The Wonder City is the only place that such free, pleasant entertainments are given.

The meeting closed with the audience standing and singing The Star Spangled Banner.

J. L. Brown, Sec.

GARRISON INSTALS OFFICERS

A joint installation of the St. Cloud Garrison No. 141, and A. and N. Union, and the Elsie P. McElroy Auxiliary No. 17, was held in the Masonic hall Monday, January 8th, at 2 p. m. The ladies of the Auxiliary were installed first, Senior P. Lady Commander Amelia R. Robinson acting as installing officer, assisted by P. Lady Commander Agnes E. Livermore, as Lady Officer of the Day. The Garrison officers were installed by J. J. Hill as installing officer, assisted by Comrade Livermore, as Officer of the Day.

Following is a list of the newly elected lady comrades:

Lady commander—Mary N. Hill.

Lady Vice Comamnder—Sarilla E. Houston.

Lady Deputy Commander, Esmerelda Vreeland.

Lady Adjutant—Dora Francher.

Lady Paymaster—Nancy Stillwell.

Lady Quartermaster— Mary P. Doughty.

Lady Officer of the Day—Rose M. Wood.

Lady Officer of the Guard—Abbie M. Gardiner.

Lady Sentry—Laura C. Weatherstone.

Lady Pickett—Sarah J. Mason.

Chaplain—Maggie Woodard.

Lady Color Bearer—Martha E. Brown.

Lady Color Bearer No. 2—Pauline A. Price.

Executive Committee—Amelia R. Robinson, Agnes E. Livermore and Dorothea Jaques.

After the installation speeches and a social time were had and enjoyed by all. The lady comrades served ice cream, cake and coffee, and quite a number of dainty little lunches were sent out to the sick comrades and lady comrades.

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PALM THEATRE PROGRAMME

THURSDAY

LOUIS WEBBER AND TYRONE POWER IN

This picture will take the place of "The Love Girl," which was destroyed by fire.

FRIDAY

RITA JOLIVET IN

A picture with plenty of comedy to keep it lively.

SATURDAY

FATTY ARBUCKLE IN

A Triangle Keystone comedy. "The Operator at Big Sandy," an exciting Western picture.

MONDAY

ELSIE JANIS IN

Love and romance through the ages. "'Twas Ever Thus."

TUESDAY

MARY BOLAND IN

The seeking of happiness in the false gaities of the world.

WEDNESDAY

MARIE DORO IN

A political drama which was written especially for Miss Doro.

Coming, Friday, January 26th, Mary Pickford in "Hulda of Holland."

REGISTRATION NOTICE

The city registration books are now open for those who are not registered. The books will close March 16th, 1917. Fred B. Kenney,

20-10t City Clerk.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS

Good audiences last Lord's Day. I was glad when they said unto me, let us go up to the house of the Lord.

The pastor attended the meeting of the Union Sunday School State Board, held in Jacksonville last Tuesday.

You are urged to attend the Bible school at 9:30 next Lord's Day. We want all schools in the county to make this the banner year.

At 10:30 the subject will be: "Kickers, Shirkers, Jerkers and Workers," and at 7 p. m. will be the closing lecture on "The Proper Division of the Word."

Have you straightened up last year's account with your fellow man and God? If not, do it now.

I. L. Jenkins, Pastor.

CARD OF THANKS

To all those friends who so kindly assisted during the illness of Mr. Rowland, and to the Masonic order who had charge, also to all who aided in the funeral arrangements and sent in their floral offerings, we extend the most sincere thanks.

Who signs? —Ed.

Baptist Church

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Young People's meeting at 6 p. m.; Gospel service at 7 p. m.

Baptist Ladies Aid social at the home of Mrs. Melmaker, Friday at 2:30 p. m. Ladies of the church and congregation are invited.

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We will have ready for spring and summer delivery 100,000 avocado trees which were budded with wood from performance record trees in our own grove in Polk County. Most of these are the late Trapp variety. We have also a large supply of the early Pollock as well as other kinds. Avocadoes are as hardy as oranges and grapefruit and are safe throughout the citrus belt. A tree in Alachua County is one of the oldest in the state. Place your order early. Write today for our free booklet.

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GREAT MONEY-MAKING OPPORTUNITIES FOR POULTRY RAISING

NATURE FITTED FLORIDA FOR THAT BUSINESS. LAZINESS ONLY EXCUSE FOR FAILURE TO MAKE GOOD. MANY MEN ARE GETTING RICH.

(By H. F. Rells, Agricultural Editor of the National Field, Poultry Editor of the Florida Grower, Department Editor of the Reliable Poultry Journal, Industrious Hen). .. ..

The Tribune has asked me for an expression of opinion as to the possibilities of profitable poultry culture in this state, doubtless because of the agitation that is being made by some seekers after notoriety anent the high cost of eggs and poultry generally. As the law of supply and demand usually regulates these things, we may deal with the subject without injecting this issue into it, and consider it entirely from the standpoint of this section's adaptability to the profitable culture of poultry.

It is a question of vital interest to thousands of home people, as well as prospective settlers, who look forward to the day when they may cast their lot among us. The general misconception as to climatic and other conditions that exist here make it necessary for me to go into an extended discussion of the question for the benefit of those transients among us, who are seeking after information, and whom we wish to make familiar with all the conditions here that contribute to success.

Nature Proves Success Possible

What will strike the observant traveler to this state at the moment of his arrival is the variety of birds, both land and water fowl, notwithstanding the fact that they have been subjected from time immemorial to annual slaughter, making stringent game laws necessary to protect many of them from extinction. Is this not the very best evidence of this state's adaptability to the profitable production of poultry in all its branches? It should prove to every reasonable person that conditions are ideal and that natural conditions prevail to insure success where intelligent effort supplement these advantages.

Where does one find such gorgeous plumage except in tropical and subtropical countries? And if nature has been so lavish with our wild fowl, does she not give promise of equal things for our domestic birds The very mildness of our climate insures the life of the young birds and their development into healthy, thrifty and productive specimens, and wherever I have gone in this state, it has been my pleasure to note the richness of the plumage in our domestic birds that makes a striking contrast to the washed-out appearance of many of the varieties of other sections.

State Adapted to the Very Best

That lusterous green sheen so much admired in our blyack varieties; the deep, golden bugg of our buff breeds, and the ivory whiteness of our white varieties, all go to show nature's wise provisions and the adaptability of this state to the production of the very best that can be produced. But some doubting Thomas will ask, does not insect life thrive in proportion where the mildness of climate makes possible the eternal incubation of insect pests? And I answer without fear of successful contradistion, that where man has done his part in keeping the premises clean, the parasites have never become a barrier to successful poultry culture in Florida. I have before me, as I write, innumerable letters from well known poultry raisers from all over the states, Northern men mostly, who have emigrated to this state in search of a milder climate, who assure me that they have found this climate ideal for their work and that they have netted more per head from the birds here than they did at home, where conditions were supposed to be the very best for their business. Many of them resent the imputation occasionally made, that poultry will not thrive here, knowing that this misinformation is keeping away from our state many a deserving family that would otherwise settle here and reap the reward of honest labor, while enjoying this incomparable climate in doing so.

Hard Luck Story a Fake

The pessimist, like the poor, we will have with us always. In every section of this broad land of ours you will meet the fellow who will tell you the same hard luck story. But because a man has failed with poultry in Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, Kansas, or elsewhere, we do not condemn those states, but place the blame where it rightfully belongs—on the man himself—for the very good reason that all about you are promising, profitable chicken ranches, paying a good interest on the investment, and that give the lie to such unjust charges. So it is in Florida. All through the state you will find happy, contented men and women devoting their time to this profitable and interesting line of outdoor work, breathing the pure air of heaven while going about their duties; adding years to their life while enjoying the pleasures of hunting, fishing, boating and the many other outdoor pastimes that beckon the red-blooded man at every turn of the road. Many of the people, to judge by their letters to me, came here broken in health and spirit, with nothing to hope for but the inevitable end. Is it unreasonable, then, that they should arise en masse to denounce these calumnies that go out occasionally to the unsuspecting, when they know from their own experiences what may be accomplished here? It is but the response of an appreciative conscience, and is the best and most convincing testimony that we can offer to prospective settlers of other sections, who look forward to the day when they may pack their tents and join that innumerable caravan that is constantly wending its way to this ideal clime.

Figures Show Opportunity Splendid

Here are some facts and figures that should be of interest and convince any reasonable person of the desirability of this state as a place for profitable poultry work. ?

It is estimated that Florida consumes annually near to $10,000,000 in poultry and poultry products, while it produces only about $4,000,000 worth. This should answer the question as to the future of this industry in the state. With the single exception of Oklahoma, this state has made a greater gain in actual rural population and a more substantial increase in the value of her farm lands than any other state in the South, and 73 per cent of her farms are owned and operated by their owners or managers. This remarkable increase in population is an augury of the future. It means a constant'y growing demand for all poultry products, and with this demand created and existing the future of the industry is indeed secure. What we need now is an influx of settlers who can and will appreciate these advantages.

Feed Not a Hard Problem

I speak from personal observation when I say that any thrifty, energetic, common sense man can make a living from poultry here, if he will devote even a fraction of the time to the work that would be absolutely necessary to succeed in any other line. The stock orgument of the opposition has always been the claim that we could not raise our grains here to feed our birds. Conceding for the sake of argument that we could not do so, hundreds have proved that we can purchase every ounce of feed that we require and still make a profit from our poultry. But we do not have to buy all our poultry feed unless we wish to do so. Any one at all familiar with our state knows how easy it is to grow greens every month in the year, and when we realize that this one item may constitute about fifty per cent of the ration, we see how we can cut the feed cost without appreciable labor or expense. We know that the sorgoums, millets, corn, peas and many other grains thrive here and do exceptionally well, and this should be a sufficient answer to such misstatements. As for greens, we find our biggest labor in keeping down the grasses that are relished by the birds, such as Bermuda, crab grass and many other native species that thrive throut the state.

Opportunities Are Abundant

There are abundant opportunities here for the progressive poultryman. The great need of the state is for a better observance of grading and packing of our products, whether this be eggs or dressed poultry. Producers, with very few exceptions, pay very little attention to grading and packing. There are many paying markets here for the man who will raise "more and better poultry;" such products always command a premium over the market, and no boycott will affect them. The man who starts the poultry business and caters to a select trade, with the class of goods such a trade demands, will make money. No other sectionof the country offers better inducements in this direction. The soft-drink stands demand the very best in the quality of the eggs used; the great hotels of Florida demand the best in all poultry and poultry products to be obtained, and with the parcel post trade to fall back upon, there remains the private trade, so profitably used by breeders of other sections of the country, who appreciate their advantages.

Our climate permits of all-the-year-round poultry work in the open; a continuous growing season with the advantages of securing the early markets for broilers and fryers. No one who has enjoyed a summer in this state will want to spend it elsewhere hereafter except for an occasional change. It is equal to our winters, and that is saying a great deal.

Feed Production Within Control

In the production of our feed for poultry, that is entirely within our the grains, including as before stated, sorghum, millet, kaffir corn, Egyptian wheat, beans, peas, corn, rye, and any number of root crops that hay be fed to advantage. The item of incubatign should also be considered in our list of claimed advantages. Mildness of climate—winter and summer——makes a decided saving in fuel that is generally a considerable item in a year's work. Inexpensive, open-front houses are used to best advantage, thus again cutting down an item of expense as compared with other sections of the country. But while considering the commercial end of the poultry business as it applies to market eggs for human consumption, do not let us overlook another branch which has its advocates in hundreds of settlers who will eventually drift here. I have reference to the "fancy" egg trade and the "day-old chick" business. The possibility of uninterrupted incubation throughout every month of the year makes possible the establishment of a trade to furnish the birds for the early exhibitions over the country. Northern breeders with whom I have conferred have pointed out this advantage time and again and several now have branches established here for that purpose. This is an item well worth considering.

Behind In Their Orders

The day-old chick business is just becoming recognized as a profitable line of poultry work here. Men who have engaged in this work here and who are constantly enlarging their capacities report that they are behind in their orders many thousands of chicks that they could sell if they had them. What, then, of the future of the poultry industry here. The discerning man will take advantage of the present opportunity to get started early, not because there is any danger of an oversupply in the near future, but because present demands are such a that we may make our own prices for a prime article, whether that be eggs or live or dressed poultry. Let the boycott runs its course. Such agitations usually do in a very short time. Have the goods and the world will make a path to your door.

Last but not least, the question of insect control. That need not worry the intending settler. If you do well your part to keep a clean house this will be one of the least of your troubles. That has been the experience of the most successful breeders in the state. The man who will give his birds the care and attention necessary to success will not be troubled with them to any great extent. I would certainly not advise any others to undertake the work.

The citrus crop of the entire state of Florida runs about $6,000,000 annually. There is one small city in California which does $4,000,000 annually in eggs and broilers and poultry supplies. Twenty years ago that town had an idea—today it is the largest egg-producing city in the world. Mighty is the hen.

They claim for that California egg city that it is the logical location for the business. But it has nothing that Florida has not. The three great factors for poultry success are a sandy loam soil, moderate temperatures, moist sea air, and, of course, well drained land. Next is the market. Florida has the market, as it is nearer the center of population, and it has Cuba trailing off the southern end of the state. In Florida we are raising the same breed of chickens—white leghorns for eggs, and Plymouth Rocks for table use.

The average price of eggs at wholesale in California has been 30 cents a dozen; at Tampa 35 cents (the fresh country eggs two cents higher and properly balanced rations eggs 5 cts. higher) and in comparison with the California ration eggs at 30 cents and ours at 40 cents a dozen, the difference is worthy of consideration.

The average price of broilers in that California egg city has been $3 per dozen; at Tampa $5.40. The average price of old chickens in California has been $4 a dozen; at Tampa $7.80.

These figures are taken from the Board of Trade booklet of that California egg city, and the Tampa figures compiled by L. P. Dickie, secretary of the Tampa Board of Trade and both are authentic.

In California the minimum temperature runs from 10 to 20 degrees colder than that of Florida, with cold winter rains in California, against Florida warm rains in summer; the maximum summer temperature in California is 110; in Florida 96 degrees.

In Florida we can raise Bermuda grass and sunflowers and other green food the same as in California; we can raise corn and cereals here, but in California they buy it, for land at $500 an acre is too expensive to grow these grains.

In every way Florida is an ideal poultry country and equals, if not surpasses that great chicken center, and land can be had here for $25 to $50 an acre for poultry farms, near small towns, and $100 an acre near cities; while that California board of trade booklet states: "Land close to the city costs $400 and $500 an acre."

W. P. Powell, secretary of the New

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Dairy Products Marketing To Be Discussed

Marketing is one of the most important problems of the dairyman, because it touches his pocketbook. Unless the selling end is properly developed the production end will not flourish. A market is the essential condition for profitable dairy production and the method of marketing runs a close second. Market requirements of dairy products will be one of the subjects discussed at the Livestock Association meeting and the Livestock Institute at the University of Florida in Gainesville, January 16 to 19.

John M. Scott, animal industrialist to the Experiment Station, has announced that a man thoroughly familiar with market requirements will lecture on the subject. No dairyman in the state can afford to miss this meeting and especially the lectures which pertain to the marketing end of his business. No matter how well his selling is organized, he can receive some valuable suggestions from the meeting.

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THIS GOOD WIFE WAS TROUBLED WITH FLIES

O. W. Caswell, agent for Suwannee county, told a story at a recent meeting of county agents at the University of Florida which illustrates the inconsistency of the human mind. During one of his calls at a farm the housewife complained of flies and asked what could be done to abate the nuisance. Mr. Caswell called her attention to a sagging screen door and to numerous fly entrances in the roof.

During the course of their conversation he learned that the family had taken precautions to screen the chimney when they lived in town yet similar steps had evidently failed to occur to them on the farm, where flies were relatively more abundant than they are in the average town.

It has been demonstrated that flies can be controlled on the farm. Sanitation and abolishment of breeding places by treating manure and removal of decayed animal and vegetable matter will reduce the number of flies to the minimum. Of course, flies do not bother much at this season but sanitary precautions should be taken now so that they will not become troublesome in spring. If the place is cleaned thoroughly during the winter and kept clean, flies will never become a burden.

EXTENSION WORKERS ARE TO HAVE BUSY FALL

The campaign for better agriculture is bearing fruit. Proof of this is had in the great demand on the part of farmers for extension workers and lecturers. Every day until the first of January has been engaged for the extension workers of the University of Florida. According to C. K. McQuarrie, state agent, there has never been such demands for lecturers. Fairs and farmers' meetings will occupy a great deal of the time of the staff this fall. Some have been called as judges, some for lectures and some to preside at club contests.

Mr. McQuarrie says that there is a greater interest among farmers than ever before. In some counties where a meeting attracted only a dozn or two a few years ago, a crowd of two hundred or more is not uncommon now.

Further evidence of the growing demand for agricultural information is shown by the large amount of agricultural news printed in the newspapers. The papers can be accepted as accurate barometers of public sentiment and demand. There is hardly an issue of any paper in the state that does not contain some information of interest to local farmers. Most editors are quick to realize community needs and they all appreciate the value of agricultural advancement to the community.

SHE KNEW THE GARDEN

The walz was over, says The Ladies' Home Journal, and the partner of the pretty girl, a serious youth with spectacles, said to her, Let's go and walk in the garden.

Oh no, she said, I don't want to go in the garden without a chaperone.

The bespeckled youth was mildly shocked, I assure you, he explained, that you will not need a chaperone.

The girl tossed her head, then replied: I do not want to go into the garden.

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LEON D. LAMB

Port Richey Board of Trade, has gathered much information on the hen and its possibilities with a view of interesting settlers in that line of endeavor, and he is broad enough to give the information to the state at large.

The egg market will never be over supplied. In Japan they have 825 fowls to each square mile, or 1½ hens to the square acre, with every acre, practically, under cultivation in that thickly settled country, the greatest egg producing nation we have. In the United States there is only ½ fowl to each cultivated acre, or less than ¼ fowl for the entire acreage.

The hen in the United States lays twenty billion eggs a year. One egg in every three is eaten by the raiser thereof; the other two are started for the market, but 15 per cent get broken or are spoiled. This loss amounts to 350,000,000 a year, a great sum which could be conserved by more careful handling and gathering. Fifteen to twenty per cent of the eggs marketed go into cold storage, something like two or three billions, the rest are eaten while fresh. The proportion of storage eggs depends on how much money people have to spend for fresh eggs. On account of prosperous times the wage earner has done away with his chicken yard and is buying eggs. Hence there are fewer eggs and more people to buy them. There is a reason why eggs are selling for five cents each now, and the price will likely remain high for some time. The fact that inspectors found 72,000,000 dozen eggs in cold storage in Chicago is of small moment. They would last the United States for only a day.

Tampa consumes 30,000 eggs a week of which 80 per cent are shipped in from the North, and 20 per cent are from Florida towns. There passes through Tampa each week 36,000 eggs shipped from the North to Cuba—and maybe as many more find their way to Cuba via the Florida East Coast, and twice that amount by steamer direct from New York City. Cuba is a great market for the Florida egg producer. Tampa and the Cuban egg market could take 100,000 eggs a week.

Mr. Powell has made a compilation of profits made by a large number of egg farms and finds that a high class egg ranch in Florida will net more than $1 per hen a year. Some claim $2 a hen per year net, with feed bill averaging $1.40 a year.

It is the ideal business for quick returns and small capital. One man on a ten acre farm can take care of 1,000 to 1,500 hens. Besides the profit on eggs, fryers and old chickens, there is a profit of $210 a year from each 1,000 hens for their droppings, if gathered on lime and sawdust floor. The egg business properly conducted would establish some place in the state large factories for making of egg carriers, one-day-old chicken carriers, incubators, portable hen houses, and for the grinding of food, and for bone and meat feed, and medicines, etc. It is an industry that should be fostered and encouraged.

SHARP TONGES IN TRENCHES

The soldier is not usually a man of words, but he can string them together effectually at times, and some of his similes would not disgrace our American cousins, past masters although they are in the art of picturesque and vivid phrasemaking, remarks the London Chronicle. "He would 'pinch' the sugar from your tea while you were stirring it," is the description I heard applied to one warrior with confused ideas of ownership; and of another of parsimonious habits it was said that "he flings his money about like a man with no arms."

METCHNIKOFF'S DRAMATIC DEATH

Professor Metchnikoff, says the World's Work, came to his laboratory on July 13. He did not attempt to hide his uneasiness at the weakness of his heart. He surprised his students, however, by saying, "tomorrow is the 14th, isn't it? So we won't work. I am afraid that this will be my last day here. I cannot last two days. I shall die tomorrow."

He died, in fact, on the 15th, and his pathetic farewell made a deep impression even on the pathology students. extra.

GOOD HEALTH AND A PURPOSE

Multiply the acreage of a sunny field into a gladsome opportunity for harvesting.

Let work come. Even short days double themselves for us, and we so enjoy what we have to do that we get through more than double duties.

To be right in the central center—like the watch in its mainspring—is the secret.

No day seems long enough to those of us here who love our work.

John Wanamaker.

Chautauqu Team Work

Perhaps no enterprise in our midst is so representative of the "Gospel of Team Work" as the Chautauqua assembly to be in St. Cloud February 25 to March 3, 1917. Leading people of this locality have combined to make this assembly under the supervision of C. Rucker Adams, in co-operation with several other towns of Florida the means of bringing to this people the best talent and thereby the best results from their work, to be secured. Success is assured if we but follow the advice of a Chautauqua worker from a successful northern town. He says: "The spirit of the times may be summed up in the three Co's, co-operation, concentration and conservation. Not in cut-throat competition but in team work lies our prosperity. 'Aren't you afraid these madmen will combine against you?' inquired a visitor of a guard at an insane asylum. 'No,' responded the uniformed gentleman, 'crazy people never combine.' The star player is no longer in demand in athletics; he thinks only of 'playing the bleachers.' In football, in basket ball, in baseball, team work is the sign of victory

The man who goes out with his hook
and line,
Brings home his single fish:
But he who lends a hand and pulls a
seine
Gets all that a heart could wish,
And each man's share is greater far,
In size as well as weight;
The secret of success is this—
CO-OPERATE.

International Lyceum Magazine

There will come to our platform in this Chautauqua assembly a man who has been a great factor in co-operation. It is no longer necessary to refer to Roland A. Nichols as the man who discovered, befriended and educated Harold Belle Wright, the famous author, for as a lecturer Nichols is as prominent as Harold Bell Wright is as an author. For five seasons no lecturer has received more enthusiastic commendations from communities he has served. It is a part of his religion to make good. Country bread, college trained and seasoned by twenty years successful professional life, with a magnetic personality, deep, sympathetic voice, a readiness of speech and a broad outlook on life, he brings a message of inspiration to any Chautauqua platform. His lectures are not dry preachments, for he ranks among the foremost humorists as well as lecturers. He is a great-grandson of Chief Joseph, Pottawattamie Indian chief. His splendid physical proportions and dramatic power in oratory typify this ancestry. Big, jolly, bristling with wit and epigram, sane, brilliant and thoughtful, he will make memorable his day at your Chautauqua assembly.

Remember, a reserved seat season ticket insures you the pleasure of hearing this and every splendid attraction of this Chautauqua to be held in St. Cloud February 23 to March 3, 1917.

TELEPHONES FOR TUGBOATS

Telephoning from a tug boat is soon to be realized on the craft engaged in New York Harbor service for the Lehigh Valley Railroad, announces the Scientific American. It is planned to equip the pilot house of each tug with a standard telephone instrument, so that the captain can get in touch with the tug dispatcher the moment the tug touches one of the company's piers over a private wire leased by the railroad. Cut-in boxes are now being installed on the ends of each of the Lehigh Valley piers in New York, Brooklyn, Jersey City and the Bronx. Connections between the cut-in boxes and the telephone apparatus aboard the tugs will be made by flexible cables, with the same facility as the tying up of a boat to the pier.

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Recently Charles F. Case, for fifty-seven years an employe of the Erie Railroad celebrated his seventy-sixth birthday, upon which occasion his friends gave him a large engraving of the famous picture, "The Spirit of '76," Mr. Case's face being substituted for that of the adult Revolutionary drummer. Upon the margin President F. D. Underwood inscribed the following:

"Charles F. Case—who has become an institution and at the same time an inspiration to us—all his associates and comrades—in that he never grows weary—blows hard or soft. He is the same 'Great Heart.' May he be in heaven a week before the devil hears of his death!"

Mr. Case is commercial agent of the Erie at 50 Church Street, New York, and is probably the best known of all railroad men dealing with fruit shippers, both in California and New York.

The Tribune reaches more people than any other paper publishd in Oscola county.

LODGE AND CHURCH NOTICES

St. Cloud Lodge No. 221, F. & A. M., regular meeting second and fourth Friday evening each month. Visiting brothers cordially invited. Hall corner 10th and Penn. ave.

St. Cloud Garrison No. 141, A. & N. U. Regular meeting first and third Monday at 2 o'clock p. m., in Masonic Hall.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible school 9:30; morning service 10:30; evening Christian Endeavor 6:00; chart lecture 7:00; Wednesday, prayer meeting. All are cordially invited to all these services.

M. E. Church announcements:—Sunday school at 9:30; sermon at 10:30; Junior League at 2 p. m.; Epworth League at 6 p. m. sermon at 7 p. m.; Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7 p. m. Rev. G. H. Northrop, pastor.

The Osceola County Republican Club meets at Masonic Hall the first Thursday in every month, at 2 p. m. Everybody invited.

A. M. Doughty, Prest.
20-3t F. B. Munsell, Sec.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sabbath school at 9:30 a. m.;
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.
Christian Endeavor at 6 p. m.
Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.

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THE VETERANS' REGISTRY

A registry of veterans is carefully kept in the office of the St. Cloud Development Company. This gives the names, service, address in St. Cloud and the home address of all veterans who desire to avail themselves of it. Many visitors and newcomers are anxious to find out if they have any friends in town and this registry is the place to find them. A new feature will be the recording of tourists or visitors, for which purpose a special book will be used. Our town is noted for its sociability and it is sincerely to be hoped that all will take advantage of this service. General information about the town and surroundings is also furnished at the same office. If any parties unable to come personally to the office will just put names, service and address on a postcard and direct same to the Information Bureau, same will be duly recorded. 21-tf

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR LETTERS PATENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intend to apply to the governor of the State of Florida, on Saturday, January the 27th, A. D. 1917, or as soon thereafter as possible, for Letters Patent, on the following proposed charter:

N. F. BASS,
I. E. BASS,
O. F. BASS.

PROPOSED CHARTER OF BASS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be Bass Construction Company, and its principal place of business shall be in the City of Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, with branch offices in such place or places in the State of Florida or elsewhere, as the directors may determine.

ARTICLE II

The general nature of the business to be transacted by said corporation shall be to engage in a general contracting business for the construction of buildings of every nature whatsoever, to repair, paint, improve, alter and decorate said buildings, and to construct them under contract for others, or to be owned by this corporation. To contract for and construct sidewalks, roadways of concrete or other material and to erect bridges, causeways, and other structures of concrete, cement or other building material. To contract for and perform railroad construction work, either as an independent contractor or subcontractor, and to buy and sell building materials, or manufacture same, as may seem best. To buy and sell lands on its own account or on commission, and to build on, own, improve and develop lands owned by said corporation, and to perform any and everything necessary to be performed in connection with said work. To subscribe for, purchase, receive, own, and dispose of stock, shares, bonds, securities or other obligations of other corporations, and to exercise all the rights, powers and privileges of ownership thereof. To sell, mortgage, lease, sub-let, or convey the property of this corporation, or any part thereof at will and to use or invest the proceeds as to the directors and stockholders seems for the best interest of the corporation. To receive payment for capital stock subscribed for, in money, property, labor or services at a just valuation therefor to be determined by the directors. To do any and all things necessary and proper to be done for the furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

ARTICLE III

The capital stock of the corporation shall be Five Thousand and no-100 Dollars ($5,000.00), to be divided into fifty (50) shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each, which capital stock may be paid for in cash, property, labor or services, as set forth in Article II hereinabove.

ARTICLE IV

The term for which this corporation shall exist shall be fifty years unless sooner dissolved by law.

ARTICLE V

The officers of this corporation shall be a president, a vice president, a secretary and treasurer and a board of not less than three nor more than

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five directors. The office of treasurer may be held by any other officer of the corporation. The board of directors shall be selected at the annual stockholders' meeting to be held in the city of Kissimmee on the third Monday in December in each year, beginning in the year 1917.

ARTICLE VI

Until the officers above mentioned are elected and qualified at the first election, the officers of the corporation shall be N. F. Bass, president; I. E. Bass, vice president; and O. F. Bass, secretary and treasurer, and the same shall constitute the directors pending the issuance of letters patent. The stockholders shall meet in the City of Kissimmee, Florida, at the office of this corporation on Wednesday, January the thirty-first, A. D. 1917, for the purpose of adopting by-laws and completing the organization of this corporation.

ARTICLE VII

The highest amount of indebtedness to which this corporation shall at any time subject itself shall be $10,000.00.

ARTICLE VIII

The names and residences of the incorporators of this corporation, together with the amount of stock subscribed for by each, are as follows:

N. F. Bass, two shares.
I. E. Bass, five shares.
O. F. Bass, five shares.

N. F. BASS.
I. E. BASS
O. F. BASS.

STATE OF FLORIDA, ss.
COUNTY OF OSCEOLA.

On this day personally appeared before me, a notary public, N. F. Bass, I. E. Bass and O. F. Bass, who being by me first duly sworn and being to me known to be the parties who signed the foregoing articles of incorporation, do each severally and for their respective selves, acknowledge that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal at Kissimme, Osceola County, Florida, this 21st day of December, A. D. 1916.

LEWIS O'BRYAN
(SEAL.) Notary Public State of Florida; my commission expires Jan. 8th, 1919. 17-6t

In Circuit Court for the Seventh Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida in and for Osceola County. In Chancery. A. W. Bailey, complainant, vs. Martha Muse et al respondents. Suit to quiet title. Order of publication. To all whom it may concern. It appearing by the sworn bill in this cause and an affidavit thereto attached, that there are persons interested in the property involved in this suit, other than the known respondents, and that the names, residences, citizenship, ages and addresses of said parties so interested are unknown to complainant, and that relief is prayed against said unknown respondents in this bill of complaint; it is therefore ordered that all parties claiming interest in the lands in the bill of complaint described, namely: Lot 8 of Block B of I. M. Mabbette's Addition to the city of Kissimmee, said lands lying in Osceola county, Florida, the NW¼ of the SE¼ of Section 21 in Township 25 South, Range 29 East of Tallahassee Meridian, and making such claims under Samuel Muse, senior, deceased, or under S R. Rembart, deceased, or otherwise, do appear to the bill of complaint herein filed on or before the Rule Day in February, A. D. 1917, namely the 5th day of said month, else the said bill of complaint will in due course be taken as confessed as against the said respondent. It is further ordered that this order be published once a week for twelve consecutive weeks in the St. Cloud Tribune, a newspaper published in the county of Osceola and State of Florida, and of general circulation in said county. Witness the Honorable James W. Perkins as judge of the above court, and my name as clerk thereof and the official seal of the said Circuit Court, this the first day of November, A. D. 1916. J. L. Overstreet as clerk of the Circuit Court, Johnston & Garrett, counsel for complainant. 10-12t

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE.
STATE OF FLORIDA.
In re Estate of John W. Meek } Osceola County.
To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees and all Persons having Claims or Demands against said Estate:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of John W. Meek, deceased, late of Osceola County, Florida, to the undersigned executor of said estate, within two years from the date hereof.

Dated Dec. 12, A. D. 1916.

WM. HALL, Executor.
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RESOLUTION

Whereas, there was filed with the Board of County Commissioners of Osceola County, Florida, on the 3rd day of January, 1916, a petition requesting the Board to call an election to determine whether or not the territory described in the said petition, to wit: Commissioners District No. 3 of Osceola County, should be constituted into a Special Road and Bridge District and bonds be issued in the sum of $150,000.00, for the construction of permanent roads and bridges in said district, and

Whereas, the said Board did on the 7th day of February, 1916, in accordance with the prayer of the petition, call an election within said territory to be held on the 11th day of March, 1916, and,

Whereas, the said board did on the 14th day of March, 1916, in special session canvass the vote cast at the said election, and the canvass showed that there was a total of 242 votes cast in favor of constituting said district into a Special Road and Bridge District, and issuing bonds as aforesaid in the sum of $150,000.00 and a total of 42 votes against the same, and that two votes were thrown out, and

Whereas, it appears that there were a majority of 200 votes cast in favor of constituting said district into a Special Road and Bridge District and issuing bonds in the sum of $150,000.00, as aforesaid, and

Whereas this Board has declared and published said district to be Special Road and Bridge District No. 1,

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that this board issue the bonds of Special Road and Bridge District No. 1 in the sum of $150,000.00 for the construction of the roads and bridges within said district.

Be it further resolved, that the said bonds shall be 300 in number and of the denomination of $500 each, payable at the rate of $5,000.00 annually for a period of 30 years, and to bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. Principal and interest payable at Chase National Bank, New York City.

Be it further resolved that proceedings be taken according to law to validate this issue of bonds, provided that the same can be done without expense to the county. 19-4t

RESOLUTION

Be it resolved by the city council of the city of St. Cloud, Florida, and concurred in by the mayor of said city,

That a sidewalk be laid and constructed on the west side of Ohio avenue from Eleventh street to Twelfth street; also on the south side of Tenth street from Kentucky avenue to Dakota avenue, said sidewalks to be four feet in width and eight inches from the property or lot line. Also on the north, east, south and west sides of block 183, said sidewalk to be five feet in width and eight inches from the property or lot line. All sidewalks to be constructed of material and the work done as provided by Ordinance No. 73, heretofore passed requiring sidewalks to be constructed along and in front of all lots within the city limits and that said sidewalks be completed within sixty days from the date of this resolution.

Resolved further, that work not completed by the abutting property owners will be paid for by the city and shall become a lien against the abutting property owners, with five per centum added and all costs included and shall be regularly filed and draw eight (8) per cent interest per annum from the date of payment by the city as provided by law. Provided no sidewalk shall be laid and paid for by the city until sixty days shall have elapsed.

Passed this 8th day of January, A. D. 1917.

Wm. Bircher,
Prest. Council.

Attest:
Fred B. Kenney, City Clerk.

Concurred in by
Wm. Bircher, Mayor. 20-2t

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OBSERVATION CARS — COMPARTMENT CARS
STANDARD SLEEPERS — DINNING CARS

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Standard Railroad of the South

DAIRY FARMING OFFERS A BIG OPPORTUNITY IN THE ST. CLOUD SECTION.

IF YOU ARE ONE of those who have said, "I'd like to find a chance to farm with city conveniences," or "I want a cozy home in a really-truly tropical spotless town," here is a message you'll gladly hear.

OSCEOLA COUNTY IS THE HUNTER'S PARADISE.

For St. Cloud and Its Surrounding Lands For Florida Homes and Fertile Farms

St. Cloud is served by the Atlantic Coast Line, one of the best railroads in Florida and a new, modern brick depot will be erected within a few months. The city has modern public utilities, and the interests of town-residents and farmers near by are anticipated and provided for.

If you desire a good, safe investment we will sell you one of our guaranteed eight per cent real estate mortgages.

If you are looking for a really delightful, healthful home or a farm that will return fat profits for good care, write for prices and terms. Explain what you have in mind—we may be able to offer just what you are looking for.

ST. CLOUD DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

St. Cloud Osceola County Florida

RECREATION, SPORTS

Lake Tohopekaliga, more than nine miles long and almost as wide, lies partly in the city limits, offering bathing, boating and fishing. The Melbourne-St. Cloud highway, of shell and sand-asphalt, will connect the town with the East Coast and many excellent motor roads through charming scenery. The vitrified brick road now contracted for from St. Cloud to Kissimmee, ten miles northwest, will serve motorists and farmers for pleasure and business. St. Cloud has just voted $115,000.00 worth of bonds to modernize the water and electric light systems owned by the city and to pave a number of leading streets. The soundness of the town's future, as rated by shrewd financers, was shown when moneyed interests purchased $115,000 of St. Cloud's bonds at a high premium. St. Cloud's citizens are substantial, her values sound, safe.

SUGAR CANE GROWS ABUNDANTLY IN THE ST. CLOUD SECTION AND IS A MONEY MAKER.

FINE FARMING LAND

Many fine old groves of oranges and grapefruit in this district are making big profits for their owners, and here is fine opportunity for the man who will start a grove and give it skillful care. Staple crops of all kinds yield remarkable profits. Livestock, easily raised at low cost, sells at good stiff prices the year 'round. The climate is unusually mild and equable, even for Florida, the lake warding off severe cold in winter and cooling the air in summer. As a permanent or winter home St. Cloud offers many attractions, including cleanliness and quaintness. As an investment St. Cloud offers exceptional promise. As farmlands the surrounding acres offer splendid soil, high fertility, safe climate, easily secured and good water, comfortable profits.